

In the Specification:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 6, line 25, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Another implementation relates to the medical services. For example, the present invention can manage home use medical equipment and home nursing care. In addition, customer and vendor related services, such as a bidding service, can also be included within the present invention. For example, the bidding service provides a gateway for a customer to propose bids to many vendors in a single transaction, which benefits both the customers and vendors. As a result, the customers are connected to the vendors more efficiently, reducing the overall management time for transactions.